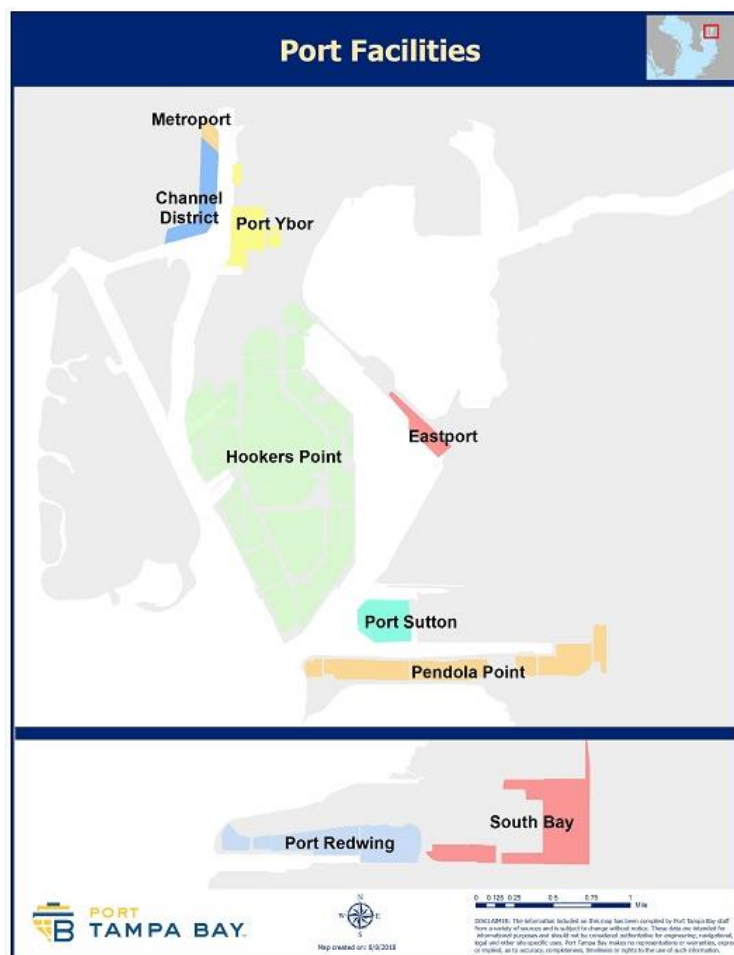


NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given of a public hearing to be held at 10:00 a.m. on August 31, 2018, before a duly appointed hearing officer for the Tampa Port Authority ("Authority"), the governing body of the Hillsborough County Port District (the "Port"), known as Port Tampa Bay, in the ground floor Board Room at the Tampa Port Authority headquarters building at 1101 Channelside Drive, Tampa, Florida 33602. The hearing is for the purpose of receiving public comments concerning a plan of financing for projects and relating to the issuance by the Port of its Revenue Bonds, Series 2018 (the "Bonds"), in one or more series, the proceeds of which shall be used by the Port and shall be in an amount not to exceed \$50,000,000. Proceeds of such Bonds will be used to finance all or a portion of the costs of maintaining waterways and acquiring real property and constructing and improving facilities of the Port, all of which will be located in Hillsborough County, Florida (the "Projects") as further described below. The Port's property is located on Hillsborough Bay and on the east side of Old Tampa Bay. The primary Port facilities are located at the head of Tampa Bay. The Port includes approximately 100 permitted public and private berths. The Port owns facilities and tracts of land at various locations, including Hookers Point, Port Sutton, Pendola Point, Metro Port, the Channel District area, Port Ybor, Port Redwing/South Bay and Eastport. These tracts of land are located east of Downtown Tampa, Harbour Island and Davis Island, south of State Road 60, west of 22nd Street/Causeway Boulevard, west of United States Highway 41, as shown on the map below:



The Projects consist of:

(i) improvements to Hookers Point which include cargo storage yard, warehouse, refrigerated cargo plugs and related improvements, cargo handling equipment, terminal improvements, security upgrades, berths, marine and upland Improvements, road and rail improvements; (ii) improvements to Port Sutton & Pendola Point which include land acquisition, cargo storage yard, cargo handling equipment, terminal improvements, security upgrades, environmental clean-up, berths, marine and upland Improvements, road and rail improvements; (iii) developments to Port Redwing Area which include land acquisition, cargo storage yard, cargo handling equipment, terminal improvements, security upgrades, erosion control, berths, marine and upland Improvements, road and rail improvements; (iv) improvements to Big Bend Channel which include deepening and widening of the Big Bend Channel, expansion of turning basin, channel extension, berth dredging and related marine and upland Improvements (the "Big Bend Channel Dredging Project"); and (v) improvements to Channelside Area which include land acquisition, berth reconstruction and improvements, cruise terminal development, terminal and security upgrades, berths, marine and upland Improvements, road and rail improvements.

The owner of the Projects shall be the Port and the operator of the Projects shall be the Port and with respect to the Big Bend Channel Dredging Project upon construction of the authorized project by the Army Corp of Engineers, the federal portion of the Big Bend Channel Dredging Project will be maintained by the Army Corp of Engineers.

All affected taxpayers, property owners and citizens of Hillsborough County, Florida, and all other interested persons are invited to attend said hearing and, either personally or through their representatives, present comments and discussion, oral or written, concerning the proposed plan of financing, the Bonds and the nature and location of the Projects. Should any person decide to appeal any decision, he or she will need a record of the proceedings, and he or she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

In accordance with the federal Americans with Disabilities Act and Section 286.26, Florida Statutes, persons with disabilities requiring reasonable accommodation to participate in this meeting should call (813) 905-7678, no later than 48 hours prior to the public meeting/hearing.

The public hearing is required by Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code") and as required by the Port's Special Act, Chapter 95-488. Laws of Florida. Subsequent to the public hearing, Governor Rick Scott will consider whether to approve the issuance of the Bonds, as required by Section 147(f) of the Code. Any person interested in the proposed plan of financing, the issuance of the Bonds, or the location or nature of the Projects may appear and be heard.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY PORT DISTRICT